

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1130 - SB 1304

April 15, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Reconstitutes and recreates the Teacher Evaluation Advisory Committee (TEAC). Sets forth the appointing procedure and member composition of the TEAC. Removes the current teacher and administrator evaluation criteria from Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-302. Requires the TEAC to recommend new teacher and administrator evaluation criteria to the State Board of Education (SBE). Such policies shall be adopted by the SBE and implemented prior to the 2016-2017 academic year. A moratorium shall be placed on the use of Tennessee-Value Added Assessment (TVAAS) data for the purposes of principal and teacher evaluations until new policies are in place. Evaluation procedures recommended by the TEAC shall not apply to teachers who are employed under 120-day contracts or less or who are not full-time employees.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$4,000

Other Fiscal Impact – It is unknown how a change to Tennessee’s evaluation system and moratorium on the use of TVAAS data will impact the state’s federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) waiver of which the evaluation system and use of such data is a part. Depending on the actions of the federal government, federal funding may be withheld from the state.

Assumptions:

- Based on information from the 2010 special session, the TEAC will meet once a month until new evaluation criteria has been created and recommended to the SBE. It is unknown how many times the TEAC will meet but a minimum of six months is estimated.
- Travel and per diem expenses for two legislative members of \$675 per meeting (\$198 per diem plus \$139.59 mileage for each member).
- Non-legislative members will be eligible for reimbursement for travel expenses in accordance with the rules of the Department of Finance and Administration. The increase in state expenditures for non-legislative members cannot be estimated since it is unknown how many non-legislative members will receive compensation.
- The increase in state expenditures is estimated to exceed \$4,050 (\$675 x 6).

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey L. Spalding". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeffrey" and last name "Spalding" clearly distinguishable.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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